

AN AUTHENTIC HISTORY OF THE
BOSTON LODGE, NO. 10.

Boston Lodge, No. 10, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, was organized in the city of Boston, May 23, 1878, under a dispensation granted by Frank Girard, Exalted Grand Ruler, to Antonio Pastor, Henry S. Sanderson, Gustavus W. Leweck (Gus Williams), Henry T. Dyring, and Luke Schoolcraft, of New York Lodge, No. 1; Charles T. Ellis and Harry Kernell, of Philadelphia Lodge, No. 2; Thomas Baugh, of San Francisco Lodge, No. 3, and Nat C. Goodwin, of Chicago Lodge, No. 4. These gentlemen, together with Nicholas D. Roberts, of New York Lodge, No. 1, and William Barry, of Philadelphia Lodge, No. 2, on said 23d day of May, 1878, met at Codman Hall, 176 Tremont street, Boston, and formed themselves into a lodge, with the following organization: Frank Girard, E. G. R., acting as Exalted Ruler; Antonio Pastor, E. Leading Knight; Gus Williams, E. Loyal Knight; Nicholas D. Roberts, Grand Lecturer; Henry S. Sanderson, Secretary; Thomas Baugh, Inner Guard; Henry T. Dyring, Tiler.

At this meeting, and at an adjournment thereof, held May 26, 1878, the following gentlemen were proposed, elected, and received the degrees: James S. Maffit, William H. Whitenect, James W. Treadwell, Edwin A. Perry, D. Foster Farrar, Thomas A. Daly, Nat D. Jones, Louis P. Goullaud, John H. Dee, Charles S. Rogers, Harry Watson, and William H. Kennedy.

The election of officers followed, with the following result: Edwin A. Perry, Exalted Ruler; D. Foster Farrar, Est. Leading Knight; Nat D. Jones, Est. Loyal Knight; James S. Maffit, Grand Lecturer; John H. Dee, Secretary; James W. Treadwell, Treasurer; William H. Whitenect, Tiler; John J. Dyer, appointed Chaplain.

They were installed by Exalted Grand Ruler Frank Girard, and by virtue of great activity and hard work on the part of these gentlemen, the lodge rapidly increased in numbers and prosperity.

At the meeting of the Grand Lodge, held December 8, 1878, a charter was granted to the officers of the lodge elected at this time, viz.: George Howard Jones, Clarence K. Mackenzie, James H. Jones, John H. Dee, J. Frank Davidson, John M. Ford, Andrew J. Leavitt, George W. Floyd, William J. Comley, J. Cheever Goodwin.

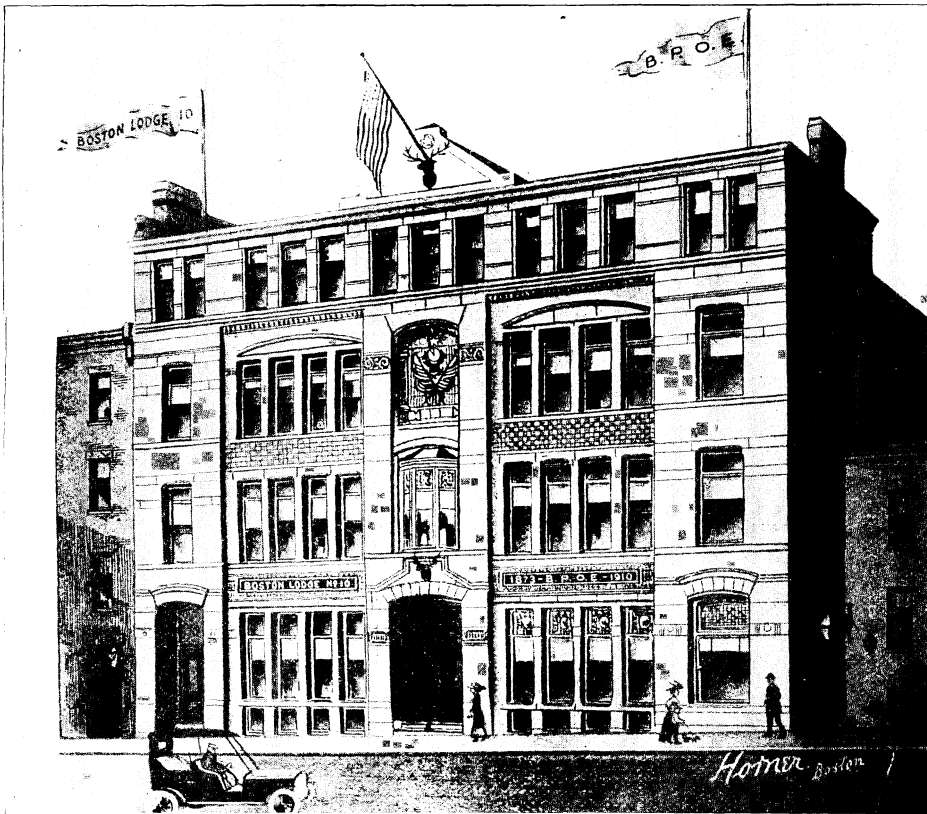
On the 12th day of February, 1879, an act of incorporation under the laws of the commonwealth of Massachusetts was granted and issued by the secretary of the state to Edwin A. Perry, D. Foster Farrar, Nat. D. Jones, James S. Maffit, John H. Dee, James W. Treadwell, William H. Whitenect, John J. Dyer and their associates and successors, the officers elected under dispensation.

The lodge continued to meet at Codman Hall until February 19, 1882. At the next session (February 26), it took possession of newly-furnished and palatial quarters in Lawrence Hall, No. 724 Washington street, which it occupied for the next three and a half years.

At the session of February 1, 1885, the Trustees, W. C. Van Derlip, Samuel M. Rice and Lewis L. Jones, were given authority by the lodge to purchase the building, No. 24 Hayward place, and to issue bonds to pay for rebuilding the same, to fit it for the purposes of the lodge. The deeds were passed February 16, 1885, and the trustees, with the co-operation of the Exalted Ruler, John H. Dee,

employed an architect, and proceeded at once with the rebuilding. The last session in Lawrence Hall was held June 7, 1885, and the sessions of July and August were held in the room of the Elks' Club in the new building. On October 18, 1885, the lodge occupied its completed building and lodge rooms for the first time.

On November 1, 1908, at a regular session of Boston Lodge, Exalted Ruler Bro. Lawrence H. Sullivan announced that he had secured an option on the building, Nos. 8-10 Somerset street, formerly occupied by the Boston University, and announced that the lodge would hold its next two sessions in this property for purposes of examination and inspection by the members. At the next session of the lodge, held November 15, 1908, there was appointed a committee of seven



NEW HOME OF BOSTON LODGE, NO. 10.

competent builders to examine and inspect the proposed building and to report their findings back to the lodge. This committee reported at the session held December 4, 1908, in effect that they found the building to be in a remarkably good condition, that the workmanship and materials used in construction of same were first class, that the building could be converted into an Elks' Home, and that in their opinion no other building in Boston could be altered and give such splendid accommodations. The matter of accepting the option given by the Boston University to Boston Lodge was acted upon at a special session held for the purpose on December 18, 1908. After considerable discussion the lodge voted to accept same, and directed the Board of Trustees of Boston Lodge to execute all instru-

BOSTON THEATRE.
THURSDAY AFTERNOON, JAN. 23, 1879.
FIRST GRAND BENEFIT
 OF MUSIC, DANCE, &c.
BENEVOLENT AND PROTECTIVE ORDER OF
ELKS.
PROGRAMME.

WATERBURY ADDRESS, by his Honor, THADDEUS V. FAY,
 Mayor of Boston.
 Overture..... Boston Theatre Orchestra
 Led by MR. NAPIER LOTHIAN.

The Irish Tutor.

Terry O'Rourke, with Song..... D. J. Maguire
 The Maid..... S. K. Spillner..... F. J. Maguire
 Elvira..... Horace Lewis..... Miss Charlotte Blair
 Charles..... George Park..... Miss Clara Hall
 By and permission of Messrs. Tompkins and Hill, Boston Theatre.

Recitation and Aria, from the "Enchanted Forest." At home and
 tempo, by VINCENZO BIONDI, first time in this country. BYRON W. WHEATLEY
Brown's Brigade Band, in Full Uniform. - - - - - 48 Pieces
 Conducted by William Tell and Cornet Solo.

BO. TONY PASTOR,
 in a Portfolio of Comic Songs.
 With Act from

The Merchant of Venice.

Shylock..... Lord James Salton..... H. A. Cripps
 Gratiano..... Harry Edwards..... S. K. Spillner
 Bassanio..... A. Z. Chipman, Clerk of the Court..... Chas. Addison
 Antonio..... Mrs. M. Frogg..... Mrs. Theo. Barry
 Duke of Venice..... J. W. Haggis..... Miss Rachel Noah
 By kind permission of Messrs. Tompkins and Hill, Boston Theatre.

MR. GUY WILLIAMS..... The Scotch Lass and the Fairies.
HARP SOLO, Sweet Home, with variations... George Dean Spaulding
Harmonized and Solo Duets... W. P. Spaulding and George Dean Spaulding

ALMOST A LIFE.
 A Tragic Drama in Two Acts, by the Grand Ganger
 Countess Melande Elizabeth..... Miss Emily Hill
 Dr. Renshaw..... Wm. W. Weaver
 By kind permission of John Steeles, Esq., Globe Theatre.

Selected Recitation, - - - - - E. J. HUCKLEY
 First Scene Second Act of

EVANGELINE.

Chas. Deitch, introducing his specialties..... Bro. GEO. E. KNIGHT
 Catherine..... Harry Joseph | Hans Wagner..... Bro. K. D. Jones
 By kind permission of John Steeles, Esq., Globe Theatre.

MR. THAYER, in his laughable absurdity, "The Villain still Pursued Her."

A MOONLIGHT PERTINENT.
 Homage paid to a capital young man..... Miss Aloha Jordan
 Juliet Brown, a susceptible young lady..... Bro. John P. Sheridan

W. H. DELEHANTY and Bro. T. M. HENGLER,
 in their Frisco Drawing-Room Entertainments.

HARRY MONTAGUE, Will sing his famous song "Telling the Score."

KELLY & RYAN, in their Original Collection of Irish Patriotic
Horizontal Bar Exercises, - - - - - Forest and Francis

CHAS. VIVIAN, - - - - - Mimic and Vocalist, in Choice Selections
Bro. BEL MUEAD, The Fire King, in his Wonderful Performances

The Entertainment will conclude with AULO LANG BYNE,
 By the Members of the BENEVOLENT and PROTECTIVE ORDER OF ELKS

MUSICAL PORTION OF ENTERTAINMENT:
 Napier Lothian and Orchestra..... Boston Theatre
 A. Hanley and Orchestra..... Globe Theatre
 Bro. John P. Sheridan and Orchestra..... Howard Sherman
 Harry C. Wannamaker and Orchestra..... Howard Sherman
 Glenn Manservant..... Bro. Jas. B. Martin and E. E. Terry

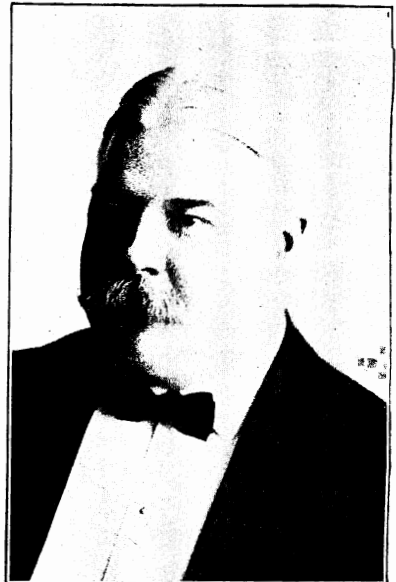
THANKS.—The Committee of Arrangements heartily tender their
 thanks to all who generously volunteered aid for the occasion, and, as the
 proceeds are necessarily limited, they cordially trust that some are at
 least because their services have not been called into requisition.

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ments necessary to carry out the terms of said option. In accordance with foregoing motion, the property was transferred to Boston Lodge on March 18, 1909. On March 17 of the same year a committee was appointed as follows: Lawrence H. Sullivan, chairman; Daniel F. Lehan, secretary; John W. Linnehan, John J. Hanley, William J. Carlin, Daniel H. Gillespie, William F. Kearns and Fred C. Gilpatric. They were fully empowered to make all necessary alterations, decorations, furnishings, etc., for the completion and occupancy of our new home. Contracts were let

and work was begun about June 1, 1909. Considerable delay was experienced by the contractors, owing to strikes, etc., during the first three or four months after they had begun work, which made the work of reconstruction long and tedious. A fire in December, 1909, added to our discomfort and delay, but the beautiful home proves the truth of the old adage: "That good things come slowly."

We have still with us a number of the members of 1878, 1879 and 1880, making the world brighter and happier for their presence with us and their untiring, zealous support. Here I would mention our Past Grand Exalted Ruler, Edwin A. Perry, who was the first Exalted Ruler of our lodge, doing his work in so commendable a manner that it would seem that the Great Ruler of the universe has looked down and blessed our loyal work and shows us all glory must be ours.



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Brothers John M. Ford, Charles E. Davidson, Thomas H. Shannon, Henry E. Hayward, George E. Lathrop, Henry C. Kramer, Dr. George Howard Jones, and Nat. D. Jones are all living in Boston and enjoying good health. Brother J. Cheever Goodwin is in New York and Brother Edwin Stearns is in California.

Of the Elks of 1879 there are Willard D. Lombard, John E. Manning, Sam Sampson, Andrew Mackay and our dear beloved Gus Williams.

The Elks of 1880 are represented by Brother James W. Bingham and Dr. James P. Buntin, both enjoying success and good health.

Some idea of the increase and prosperity of the lodge may be gathered from the annual returns at intervals of three years:

LODGE YEAR.	NUMBER OF		EXPENDED
	MEMBERS.	PROPERTY.	IN CHARITY.
1878.....	86	\$ 1,020.20	\$ 50.00
1881.....	189	8,070.36	403.93
1884.....	215	13,443.50	987.18
1887.....	286	33,750.83	946.67
1890.....	301	39,686.91	2,619.30
1893.....	283	45,728.31	2,521.85
1896.....	303	53,819.92	2,585.15
1899.....	375	65,235.05	2,862.94
1901.....	375	62,885.00	1,139.80
1904.....	569	55,006.00	2,017.48
1907.....	792	112,489.68	3,532.94
1909.....	1,038	79,859.95	3,961.19
1910.....	1,350	300,000.00	3,500.00

Boston Lodge disbursements to charity since its organization amount to over \$61,000.

EXALTED RULERS OF BOSTON LODGE, B. P. O. ELKS.

From Its Organization in 1878 to 1910.

Edwin A. Perry (under dispensation) 1878	Thomas J. Barry 1895-97
George Howard Jones (under charter) . 1878-79	M. Ambrose Hannon . 1897-98
Edwin A. Perry 1879-80	Charles A. Kelley 1898-99
Brown S. Flanders 1880-81	J. Fred Roesch 1899-00
George Howard Jones 1881-83	Allen Lowe 1900-01
Willard C. Van Derlip 1883-84	Thomas W. Flood 1901-02
John H. Dee 1884-86	Edward McLaughlin . . 1902-03
Fred E. Atteaux 1886-87	James L. Johnston . . . 1903-04
Albert C. Smith 1887-89	James H. Walsh 1904-05
Edward C. Donnelly 1889-90	William H. Crone 1905-06
James O. Gray 1890-92	Daniel F. Lehan 1906-07
James W. Treadwell 1892-93	Lawrence H. Sullivan . 1907-09
James B. G. McElroy 1893-94	George H. Johnson . . . 1909-10
William A. Blossom 1894-95	